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R 210139Z APR 78  
FM SECSTATE WASHDC  
TO AMEMBASSY PANAMA  
AMEMBASSY BOGOTA  
AMEMBASSY KINGSTON  
AMEMBASSY GEORGETOWN  
AMEMBASSY TAIPEI  
AMEMBASSY BANGKOK

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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: ETRD, PN

SUBJECT: SUGAR AND GSP REDESIGNATION

REF: KINGSTON 2643 (NOTAL), STATE 72585 (NOTAL)  
STATE 51166

ON FEBRUARY 28 PANAMA REQUESTED BY DIPLOMATIC NOTE THAT  
ITS RAW SUGAR BE REDESIGNATED AS ELIGIBLE FOR DUTY-FREE  
TREATMENT UNDER THE GENERALIZED SYSTEM OF PREFERENCES.  
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AMEMBASSY PANAMA HAS BEEN SENT THIS NOTE. IN INTER-  
AGENCY REVIEW ON REDESIGNATION FOR 1978 ELIGIBILITY, NO  
COUNTRIES WERE REDESIGNATED ON SUGAR. SINCE THEN THE  
DEPARTMENT HAS BEEN ACTIVELY CONSIDERING THE ISSUE OF  
POSSIBLE GSP REDESIGNATION ON SUGAR FOR THE SIX COUNTRIES  
(PANAMA, COLOMBIA, GUYANA, JAMAICA, TAIWAN, AND THAILAND),  
WHICH HAVING LOST GSP ON THIS PRODUCT IN 1976, WERE NOT

REDESIGNATED FOR 1977 NOR FOR 1978. WE ARE NOT, HOWEVER,  
SEEKING REDESIGNATION AT THE PRESENT TIME. IF ASKED,  
POSTS SHOULD EXPLAIN TO THE HOST COUNTRY THAT OUR DOMESTIC  
POLITICAL SITUATION DOES NOT PRESENTLY ALLOW REDESIGNATION  
BUT THAT WE ARE MONITORING CONGRESSIONAL ATTITUDES AND  
HAVE THE SITUATION UNDER REVIEW. CHRISTOPHER

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